



COUNTY OF LASSEN  
JOB DESCRIPTION

Class Title:	Analyst	CLASS CODE	GN 16
Department:	Various	UNIT	MPA
Reports to:	Varies	FLSA Status	Non Exempt
Board Approval	April 24, 2018	RANGE	20

### **JOB SUMMARY**

The Analyst position is responsible for performing professional level analytical duties involving general administrative, staff development, fiscal, and/or program analytical work. Incumbents gather, tabulate, analyze, and chart data; interview and consult with departmental officials, employees, and others to give and receive information; prepare reports and make recommendations on procedures, policies, and program/functional area issues and alternatives; review and analyze proposed legislation and advise management on the potential impact; make decisions in financial, and other administrative systems of average to difficult complexity; prepare correspondence; and perform other related duties as assigned.

### **SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED**

Receives direction from management; may receive technical and functional supervision from other administrative or professional personnel.

Incumbents do not supervise other professional staff, but may supervise clerical and/or technical employees as an ancillary duty (not as the preponderant responsibility of the position).

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES** include the following. (All duties may not be performed by all incumbents.) Other duties may be assigned.

- Performs, coordinates, monitors, and participates in various administrative analytical functions, typically within a departmental program or administrative section.
- Reviews program updates, letters, and notices for potential impact on various programs and activities; recommends and prepares policy and procedure changes to ensure compliance.
- Compiles, maintains, and analyzes data; identifies trends, and makes recommendations involving the formulation of policy and procedures, as well as staffing and organizational changes.
- Serves as a resource and provides advice and information to supervisors, managers, and other internal staff, the public, and other agencies in area(s) of assignment including the interpretation and explanation of a variety of programs, policies, rules, regulations, labor contracts, and Memorandum of Understanding.
- Conducts surveys and performs research and statistical analyses on administrative, fiscal, personnel, staff development, and/or programmatic problems.
- Makes presentations before committees, boards, commissions, departmental staff, advisory groups, or community groups to provide information and recommendations, advocate a position, encourage participation, and/or respond to questions.
- Analyzes business process requirements and coordinates with information technology staff and/or consultants to develop automated solutions.
- May plan and coordinate the design and implementation of new and revised programs, systems, procedures, methods of operation, and forms.

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- Compiles materials; prepares analytical reports, manuals, and publications.
- Prepares public relations materials (e.g. brochures, informational materials, customer satisfaction surveys).
- Provides consultation and recommends solutions regarding research findings, organizational improvement initiatives and related issues concerning departmental effectiveness and goal attainment. Evaluates effectiveness through performance measure development and monitoring activities, and recommends modifications.
- Collaborates with County departments and agencies on cross-functional projects.
- Coordinates assigned activities with other departments, divisions, units, and with outside agencies; represents the division or department in committee meetings; responds to complaints and requests for information.
- Establishes and maintains positive working relationships with co-workers; representatives of community organizations; state/local agencies and associations; internal management and staff; and the public by utilizing principles of effective customer service.
- Reviews, evaluates, and recommends actions on appeals for administrative hearings; makes presentations to the Administrative Law Judge on behalf of the assigned department.
- Investigates client complaints; maintains complaint-related documentation.
- Plans, designs, performs, and documents quality assurance activities pertaining to staff qualifications, case activities, financial, and/or other assigned functions.
- May supervise clerical and/or technical employees by assigning, monitoring, reviewing, and evaluating their work; may provide training to less experienced staff.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

#### **Education and Experience**

Any combination of experience and training that would provide the required knowledge and abilities is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the required knowledge and abilities would be:

##### **Experience:**

Additional progressively responsible para-professional experience performing complex duties of a technical nature in any of the functional areas noted in the duties above may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.

##### **Education:**

Two years (60 semester or 90 quarter) of college units, Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university preferred.

#### **Licenses and Certifications**

Possession of, or ability to obtain, a valid California driver's license.



## **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:**

### **Knowledge of:**

- Public and business administration principles and practices.
- Methods and techniques involved in conducting analytical studies of administrative and management practices, methods and procedures.
- General research practices, techniques, and terminology to conduct research for a department.
- A variety of computer software applications, including database, graphics/presentation, work processing and spreadsheet software.
- Methods and techniques of report preparation.
- English language (i.e. composition, spelling, grammar, and sentence structure).
- Project management principles to ensure projects activities are conducted in a fiscally responsible and timely manner.
- Principles and practices of effective customer service.
- Principles of teamwork and teambuilding in order to work effectively as a member of a team and facilitate effective teamwork.
- Principles and practices of the functional areas applicable to the assigned options.
- Principles and practices of leadership and supervision.
- Community needs and resources.

### **Ability to:**

- Analyze a situation or problem, including stressful situations, accurately and objectively in order to identify alternative solutions and determine an effective course of action.
- Collect and analyze data and information in order to derive logical conclusions.
- Formulate options and make recommendations based on data and information collected.
- Analyze policies, procedures, and programs and make effective recommendations.
- Make sound decisions and independent judgments within established guidelines.
- Read, interpret, and apply a variety of information (e.g. laws, policies, procedures, court cases, memorandum of understanding, ordinances, contract provisions, legislations, directives) in order to provide information and ensure compliance.
- Analyze and interpret basic statistics.
- Perform arithmetic calculations, including ratios and percentages.



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- Operate a computer to prepare results of analyses (i.e. reports, tables, charts, and graphs) and perform operations (i.e. conduct research on the internet, collect, input, and retrieve data and information).
- Express information and ideas orally in a clear, concise, organized manner by using proper diction, grammar and volume so that others will understand.
- Make effective presentations and respond to questions from various groups, including boards, committees, and the public.
- Compose business communications (e.g. letters, memos, notices) and reports, policies, and procedures, in a clear, concise, organized, and accurate manner.
- Identify problems and central issues.
- Reason logically and critically.
- Perform, analyze, and document research.
- Research legislative issues, read, and understand legislation.
- Recommend and implement changes/improvements.
- Develop and maintain cooperative, effective working relationships with co-workers, representatives of community organizations, state/local agencies and associations, supervisors, internal management staff, employee representatives and the public.
- Work and interact with a variety of individuals from various socioeconomic, ethnic, and cultural groups in person and by telephone, including situations where relations may be strained or confrontational.
- Work independently and accept increasing responsibility.
- Prioritize, plan, coordinate, and organize simultaneous work assignments and projects to meet critical and competing deadlines.
- Manage projects by developing project budgets and timelines to ensure projects meet time and budget guidelines.
- Work as a team member by keeping communication open, offering support, sharing knowledge, and contributing to and/or leading team efforts.
- Ability to work cooperatively with other employees.

### **Physical Demands and Working Conditions:**

The physical demands and work environment described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to sit. The employee is often required to travel to and make outside visits – occasionally on uneven surfaces with potential access barriers; to use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision and hearing abilities required by this job include hearing and vision adequate to observe human interaction, and vision or input and access information from a computer system.

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While performing the duties of this job, the employee is occasionally exposed to outside weather conditions. The noise level in the work environment is usually quiet.

### **Additional Info**

Government agencies accessing US government information, which include federal tax information must ensure that background investigation requirements for all agency employees and contractors that have access to federal tax information are consistent to the IRS background investigation requirements for access to federal tax information. Background requirements consist of three components which include, fingerprinting, citizenship verification and law enforcement checks. State agencies must conduct investigation during time of hire and ensure a reinvestigation is conducted 10 years from the date of the previous investigation for each employee that has access to federal tax information.